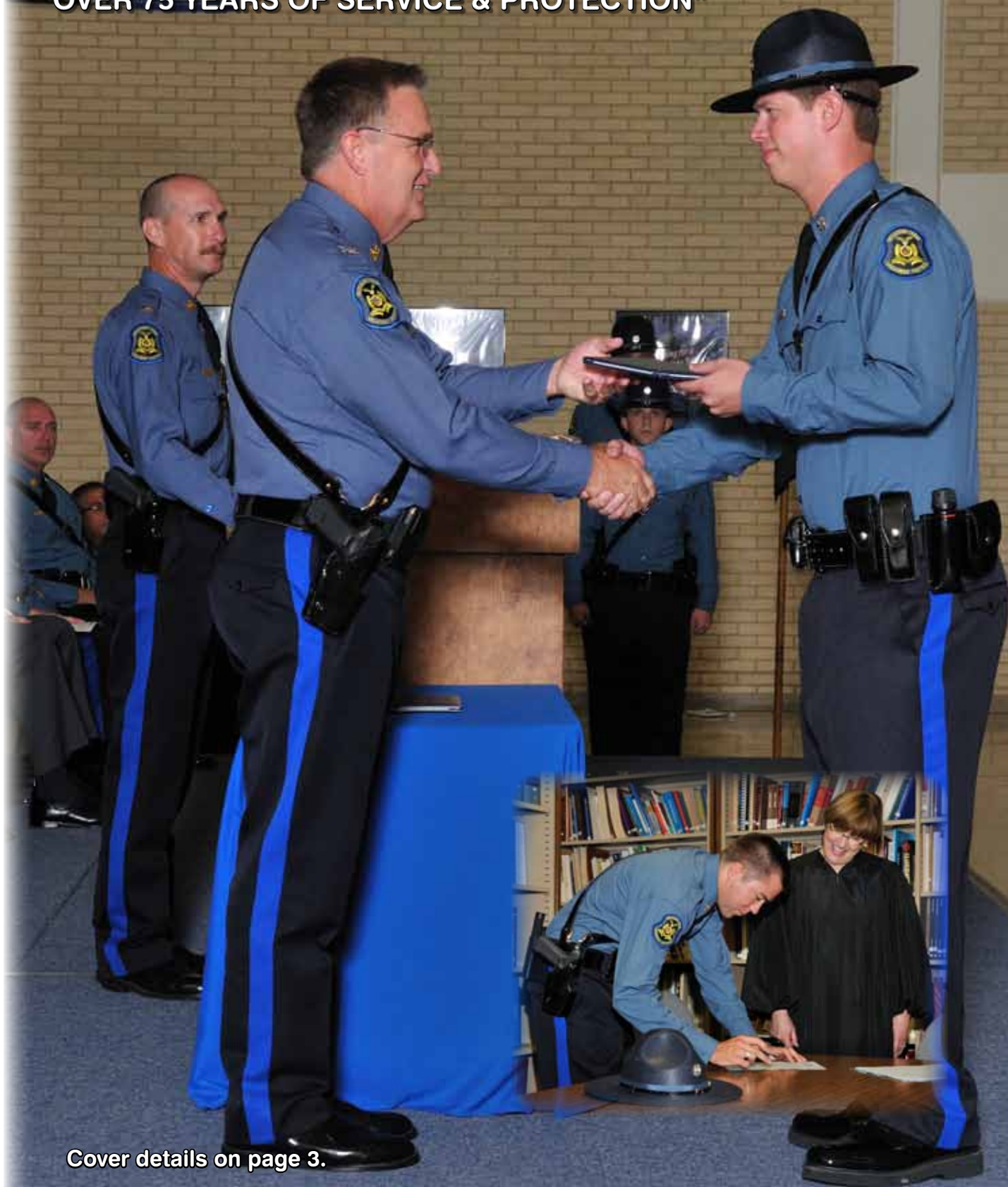


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From the Staff ...

Major J. Bret Johnson
Field Operations Bureau



As the Patrol wraps up another busy summer travel season, the Field Operations Bureau and our troops are in the operational planning stages preparing for the upcoming holiday season. Colonel Ron Replogle and staff continue to be strong advocates for DWI enforcement, making it one of our primary strategies for the continued success of the Patrol's mission and a continued focus of our upcoming holiday enforcement activities. Thanks to our employees' hard work, the statewide traffic crash fatality rate currently stands at a 9% decrease, or 69 fewer traffic deaths, when compared to the same period last year.

Historically, the Patrol has been a leader in the area of DWI enforcement, resulting in nearly 285,000 DWI arrests since 1980. The Patrol continues to wage a battle against those who choose to drink and drive. Since January, troopers have been involved in numerous special enforcement operations throughout the state, including 10-Mile Trooper, sobriety checkpoints, and various DWI saturations. As a result of their efforts during these projects alone, troopers have made 9,790 arrests, 606 of which were for DWI.

On average, approximately 36,575 individuals are arrested by Missouri law enforcement officers each year. Although our troopers comprise only 8% of all law enforcement officers in Missouri, our agency makes about 25% of the total DWI arrests in our state. Despite all these efforts, fatality rates involving drinking drivers increased from 25% to 30.2% last year. Thus, Col. Replogle has made a call for extra efforts in removing impaired drivers from our roadways. Thanks to his leadership, a noticeable increase in DWI arrests is apparent. I'm impressed each morning as I read teletypes and see the great work our road officers are doing to make our highways safer.

Thank you for your continued hard work, and despite your busy schedules and demands to support our mission, *never be too busy to help someone in need*. Stay safe.



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PERSPECTIVE

Am I Ready For The Big One?

By Asst. Chief Oper. Barbara Graham, Troop F

I have been in law enforcement for 32 years. Thirty-one of those years have been in communications, working the console on a daily basis. I have seen many, many changes over the years. Gone are the manual typewriters, the ticker tape machines, and the rotary dial telephones. The original radio console in use when I started is currently in the Patrol's Safety Education Center (museum), along with the old ticker tape machine. In fact, hanging above the console is a picture of me working, so I can truly say I am a museum piece! I have seen—and continue to see—dramatic changes in technology! So much so, it is hard to comprehend!

That word—interoperability—did someone just make that word up? I tried to research this in a 1988 edition of Webster's New World Dictionary, Third College Edition, which is in our communications center. Guess what, the word could not be found! I understand where the word came from. The attacks on America on September 11, 2001, changed our lives, especially as it relates to working in a public safety communications center.

There has been so much talk about readiness in the communication center in the last several years. We have back-up phone systems, back-up generators, even back-up communications centers. What about back-up operators? I wanted to know: What about me? What if I was the one working (stuck!) when something big happens. Is there anything out there to prepare me? I tried to research communications preparedness. I got plenty of responses on communication center preparedness. APCO and NENA have many articles about how to keep your

communication center prepared—what type of equipment is available and suggested. But, I found nothing about the operators' preparedness. I contacted several Telecommunicator Emergency Response Teams (TERT) and found some recommendations as to what operators should have ready in case of deployment. I finally found most of the information I wanted from the Florida, Missouri, and Alaska emergency manuals. I would like to share my findings with other operators.

The most important step is to talk about the "what ifs" with your family. What if you are "stuck" working when the hurricane hits, or the ice storm, or the blizzard, or the tornado, or the terrorist attacks (Heaven forbid). Have you discussed what plan of action you and your family should take? Do you have a plan for how the kids will be picked up at school or day care? Do you have a plan if your house is damaged? Where should your family go or what should they do while you are at work? The best plan of action is to talk with your spouse, your children, even your parents or neighbors about what to do in the event of an emergency.

Write a family emergency plan. List "ICE" (in case of emergency) numbers in your cell phone. Keep all phone numbers in an accessible place where they can be located in the event of an emergency. Keep a list of family member's names, dates of births, social security numbers, and important medical information. This may sound silly, but if the family is separated this information is invaluable. Most of us know our own information and possibly our spouse's, but do you know all your children's social security numbers? Make a list of your out-of-town

contacts with names, phone numbers, and e-mail addresses. You may need to contact out-of-town friends and family members. Do you know their information off the top of your head? Keep a list of important information you may need in the near future: doctor's names and phone numbers, pharmacist names and phone numbers, medical insurance policy numbers, and homeowner insurance policy numbers. Make copies of birth certificates and other important information. Keep important documents protected. Consider keeping this information in a folder at your work or protected in your emergency kit.

Develop a plan, which includes the possibility that your family might not be home together when an emergency arises. In this day and age, our families are scattered. School, work, and church activities keep us on the move and rarely at home all at the same time. Discuss a plan the entire family knows and understands. How will you reach each other? Depending on the emergency situation, you may not have phone contact with each other? You may not be able to use your cell phone to call each other, but you may be able to text each other. Consider having a plan to contact a family friend or an out-of-town family member. Make sure everyone in your family knows who this is and that you're all on the same page. Consider having a neighborhood meeting place or a regional meeting place. Do you have children in schools or day care facilities? How will you reach them? Is there a plan in place at the school or day care facility if you cannot get there? Do you know the evacuation locations in your area? Find out and make sure your family knows. The better prepared your family is, the better your family will be able to face an emergency situation.

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Include in your family plan two scenarios—one that will prepare you to stay home and a second one if you should have to evacuate. You may not have a choice in this decision; officials may order you to leave. You can prepare a shelter at home and you can also prepare a “to go” kit if you have to leave your home. Remember: You could be at work when your family must face these decisions without you. It will make it easier for them if they know exactly what to do. Remind them to use common sense and stay calm!

If you must shelter at home, choose the most secure room in your house. Select a room with few windows or doors. The room should be large enough for the whole family, including pets. Keep the exterior doors locked. Remember to also have your emergency supplies in this room, along with a television or a battery-powered radio to listen for updated information.

Remember, during an emergency, the electricity may not be working. You may not be able to get food or water. Prepare your family and have three days’ worth of food and fresh water. Remember to have at least one gallon of water for each individual for each day. If room is available, try to store two weeks’ worth of water for each person. Additionally, other items you should have in your shelter are flashlights, a radio, extra batteries, prescription medicine, first aid kit, blankets, clothing, cash, eating utensils, duct tape, heavy duty plastic bags, matches, paper, pencil, needle, thread, toilet paper, liquid detergent, soap, tooth brush, tooth paste, deodorant, bleach, plastic bucket with tight lid, disinfectant, and a whistle to signal for help. Don’t forget: You will also need cash. ATMs don’t work without power!

Find a tote bag or a backpack to put together a “to go” kit. The kit can be kept at home, in the car, or at work. You will need some of the same items you have in your shelter. You will need a gallon of water, several cans of food or dried foods, manual can opener, flashlight, extra batteries, blankets or

sleeping bag, first aid supplies, extra money, and personal hygiene items.

I have brought in a big plastic tub to work and have encouraged my co-workers to bring in non-perishable food items such as canned soup, oatmeal, tuna, peanut butter, etc., to have on hand in case of an emergency. If we are out of electricity, our snack machines won’t work and we will need something to eat! I encourage each operator to start their own “to go” kit to keep in the trunk of their car or in the work storage area. Here are some web sites and suggestions of what to have on hand in case you are the one who is “stuck” behind the console when the “big one” hits ... whichever kind of “big one” it is!

Emergency/ “To Go” Kit Suggestions:

- Medication and copies of prescription
- Nonperishable food items
- Water – 1 gallon per person per day
- Personal hygiene items
- Change of clothes – complete change
- Eyeglasses/contact solution
- Cash – change

- Paperwork
- First aid kit
- Flashlight/batteries
- Cell phone charger
- Blanket
- Bucket with tight fitting lid
- Heavy-duty trash bags
- Utility knife
- Matches/lighter
- Small tool kit
- Battery operated radio
- Leather/latex gloves
- Mess kit
- Bleach
- Rope

Internet Sites That Could Prove Beneficial

www.ak-prepared.com
www.ready.gov
www.dhss.mo.gov
www.ready.missouri.gov
www.redcross.org/services/disaster
www.tx-tert.org
www.nena.org/TERT
www.fema.gov
www.ncnena.org
www.ncapco.org

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Are The Cops Behind Us?

By MVI III Charles G. McMillan, Troop D

Trooper Terry A. Bible, Troop D, was transporting an intoxicated, female driver to jail. She fell asleep in his patrol car for awhile. As he turned onto Missouri Highway 248 in Galena, MO, across the bridge, she stirred and mumbled, “Are the cops behind us?”

“What?” Tpr. Bible replied.

She repeated in a mumbling slur, “Are the cops behind us? Are we getting pulled over?”

Then she looked at Tpr. Bible and said, “Oh, I thought you were my boyfriend. I’m kind of out of it.”

By the way, before she was arrested she was on her way to an Alcoholics Anonymous meeting in Forsyth, MO.

DPS Honors Cpl. Wilmont

By Public Info. Spec. III Cheryl D. Cobb, Q/PIED

The Department of Public Safety honored Corporal Kyle D. Wilmont, Troop I, for his investigative ability by naming him DPS Employee of the Month for August 2010. DPS Director John M. Britt congratulated Cpl. Wilmont and presented the award to him at a ceremony on August 17, 2010.

The recognition came after Cpl. Wilmont's vigilance and investigative skills were rewarded with the capture of a bank robber on April 29, 2010. On that day, the First Community Bank of Cuba, MO, was robbed by an individual suspected of five other bank robberies. Troop I had a number of officers on patrol, which allowed them to set up a perimeter. Cpl. Wilmont was positioned north of his assigned area to monitor two major exit routes from Cuba.

After approximately one hour, two vehicles matching the description given by witnesses at the bank robbery passed Cpl. Wilmont's location. As the vehicles went by, one of the drivers positioned his hand to obstruct the officer's view of his face. Cpl. Wilmont initiated a traffic stop in an effort to identify the driver. During the initial interview with the driver, Cpl. Wilmont noticed several maps and a paper with handwritten directions near the passenger seat. Based on the driver's statements and information from witnesses at the scene per the FBI, which were relayed via Troop I communications personnel, Cpl. Wilmont placed the man under arrest for robbery.

After the arrest, a .357 magnum handgun was found in the console, and the money from the bank robbery was located in a bag in the vehicle's interior. It was learned the robber had stopped in a remote area and changed his clothes and

the vehicle's license plates to aid in his escape. Cpl. Wilmont's patience and instincts led to the robber's capture only 30 miles from the bank he'd robbed an hour after the incident took place.

After accepting the DPS Employee of the Month Award, Cpl. Wilmont expressed his appreciation to everyone who came to the ceremony and acknowledged the support he'd received that day from the other officers and communications personnel at Troop I.

"Before Kyle stopped him, we felt this was our best chance to catch this guy," said Captain Lee Ann H. Kenley, commanding officer of Troop I, Rolla. "Missouri's Fusion Center had compiled pictures from surveillance tapes at the banks previously robbed. These photos were then shared with all area law enforcement and banks. On that day, this guy walked right past his pic-

ture, which was posted on the bank door in order to rob the bank."

Capt. Kenley also said throughout Cpl. Wilmont's career he has excelled in criminal investigations. She also gave a verbal pat-on-the-back to Chief Operator Billy R. Brumble, Assistant Chief Communications Operator Randall T. Ebers, and Communications Operator II Patrick B. Euans for their work at the radio console. Comm. Oper. II Euans downloaded the suspect's driver's license photo and showed Capt. Kenley a comparison between that photo and others from the Fusion Center immediately after Cpl. Wilmont called in the driver's information. Just before Cpl. Wilmont said he felt this driver was the robber, Comm. Oper. Euans was telling Capt. Kenley, "Kyle's got him!"

Congratulations Cpl. Wilmont and Troop I!



Cpl. Kyle Wilmont (center) is joined by his family: son, Kaison, wife, Aimee holding daughter, Kenlie, and his parents, Mr. Randy and Mrs. Judy Wilmont.

91st Recruit Class Challenges AGO Basketball Team

*By Recruits Brandon M. Parker and Angela M. Coval
(now Tpr. Parker, Troop A, and Tpr. Coval, Troop C)*

The MSHP 91st Recruit Class gathered at the Missouri State Troopers Association on Wednesday, June 23, 2010, for a night of good food, socializing, and relaxation before our highly anticipated basketball game against the Attorney General's Office. The pizza party was hosted by Rod Applebury, of Fidelity Blue Line Mortgage. During the party, he informed us of the benefits available through their mortgage program.

After the party, we assembled in the Academy's gym for the basketball game. Many years ago, it was considered tradition for the recruit class to play the AGO's basketball team. The tradition was reborn with the 91st! Coaches Sergeant Joseph L. Armistead and Captain David P. Perkins did a great job leading us. In the few weeks before the game, we spent any downtime practicing drills and preparing the team for the highly anticipated game.

During the game, tensions rose to levels beyond the first few nights of recruit training. We were down from the beginning, but slowly inched toward a comeback. While the game was tied, we struggled to keep up with the various plays that the Attorney General's Office players had been practicing for a long time. In the last few minutes our opponents began to regain the lead. It was a very close and exciting game, but unfortunately the well-practiced Attorney General's Office took the game 34 to 27.

The night ended with everyone gathering in the Academy's cafeteria for an ice cream social. We had a good time visiting with everyone from the Attorney General's Office. Above all, we got a much needed break from another stressful week in the life of a recruit.



The recruit basketball team huddles prior to the game.



Recruit Evan M. VanWinkle (now Tpr. VanWinkle, Troop C) shoots a free throw.



The AGO's team was a challenge for the 91st Recruit Class.

2010 Communications Academy Graduates

By Asst. Chief Oper. Roger D. Martin, Q/CommD

Newly hired communications operators attended the 2010 Communications Academy at the Patrol Academy from June 1 through July 2. During the first week, new operators were presented an overview of the history of the Missouri State Highway Patrol by Trooper Terry A. Bible, Troop D; Communications Division history by retired Chief Telecommunications & Training Engineer Bob Heald; and Cultural Awareness training with other recently hired personnel. They were introduced to computer aided dispatch (CAD) procedures and related software. Operators were tested on critical knowledge such as "10" codes and CAD codes.

Communications Division personnel from General Headquarters and the troops continued to develop the new operators' skills with a 40-hour course in public safety telecommunications with special focus on Patrol policies and procedures. Recruits received several hours of simulation in call processing and radio dispatch, as well as criminal justice information database (MULES/NCIC) inquiry procedures and entry of persons, vehicles, and property. They were able to observe and participate in a recruit class' pursuit and stop & approach training, both on the radio and in the cars. Instructors from the Training Division, CJIS Division, Commercial Vehicle En-



Prob. Comm. Oper. Megan A. Maier, Troop C, and Prob. Comm. Oper. Jeffrey B. Shinkle, Troop F, practice call processing and radio dispatch.

forcement Division, and MIAC provided specialized training on subject areas such as hazardous material and verbal judo.

The graduation ceremony was held on July 2, 2010, to congratulate the efforts of our new operators and signify their successful completion of the Academy. Major Robert E. Bloomberg gave the keynote address. The 2010 Harry W. Duncan Director's Award was presented to Probationary Communications Operator Stacey Rucker, Troop H, for achieving the highest grade point average in both academic and practical application skills. Congratulations to Stacey and to all the graduates of the 2010 Communications Academy. Welcome to the Patrol family.



Comm. Oper. III Dawn M. Moore, Troop E, instructs Prob. Comm. Oper. Sheena M. Kountz, Troop H, on computer aided dispatch (CAD) procedures

Below is a listing of the 2010 Communications Academy attendees and their first assignment:

Deirdre R. Arflack, Troop C
Angelina R. Bonta, Troop A
Danielle R. Boyd, Troop E
Malia N. Cannaday, Troop E
Heather D. Evers, Troop F
Anjanette L. "Angel" George, Troop G
Molly L. Helmig, Troop A
Emily L. Humble, Troop A
Sheena M. Kountz, Troop H
Megan A. Maier, Troop C
Kevin C. Morris, Troop C
Inesia Robinson, Troop C
Stacey A. Rucker, Troop H
Jeffrey B. Shinkle, Troop F
Jacob A. Smith, Troop A
Christina A. "Christy" Wagner, Troop F



Section Chief Roger D. Strobe, Q/CommD, presents a graduation certificate to Prob. Comm. Oper. Stacey A. Rucker, Troop H.

Spotlight

CDL Exam. Diane L. Stark



Appointed: June 23, 1992.

First Assignment: Temporary Driver Examiner Clerk, Troop F, Columbia (1988).

Promotions/Reclassifications:

Driver Examiner II – February 1, 1995; Driver III – February 1, 1997; CDL Auditor – August 28, 2005; CDL Examiner – September 28, 2008.

Current Assignment: Commercial Driver License Examiner, Troop I.

Family: Diane is single, but stays very busy with her pets and hobbies.

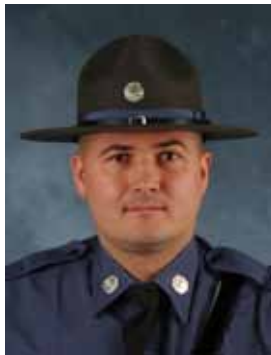
Interests: Diane has many interests beyond her career with the Patrol. If she is not spending time with one of her three cats or her dog, she may be found working on a home remodeling project, selling soy candles and body care products, or continuing her volunteer work to help save Missouri's state bird—the bluebird.

After graduating from Canfield, Ohio, High School in 1977, Diane went to work for General Motors, where she helped build the Chevy Vega. Dianne was introduced to Missouri in 1982, when she moved to the bootheel. Before joining the Patrol, Diane and her former husband, John Gilbert, trained the Patrol's first four canines. From 1986 to 1994, they also owned J-Sara Pet Supply, which was named after her husband's sister, Sarah, and his sister's

late husband, Trooper James M. "Jim" Froemsdorf (KOD 1985).

Diane commented that her assignment as a CDL examiner requires her to spend a lot of time outdoors, which she enjoys, no matter what the weather conditions.

Tpr. Jason E. Riggs



Appointed: January 1, 1996.

First and Current Assignment:

Troop I, Zone 5, Laclede County.

Family: Jason is married to Stefanie (Amer) and they have two daughters, Bailey, 10, and Keeley, 6.

Interests: Jason enjoys hunting, fishing, long distance running, and spending time with his family. Jason has served on the Lebanon School Board for the past five years.

Jason grew up in Osage Beach, MO, and is a 1989 graduate of Camdenton High School, where he was a standout athlete, playing both football and baseball. As a senior, Jason's pitching prowess resulted in his being named to first team all state. Jason later attended Missouri Western State University, where he again starred as a pitcher while he studied criminal justice. Prior to his appointment to the Patrol, Jason was serving as a Missouri park ranger.

On July 29, 2005, Jason and his close friend, Circuit Court Judge Greg Kays, were fishing on Great Slave

Lake in northern Canada, when they saved the life of their guide, who was on the verge of drowning in the lake's frigid waters. For his role, Jason received several awards, including the Patrol's Valor Award. In addition to being known for his solid work as a trooper, Jason also serves as the Troop I self-defense instructor.

Jason is very loyal to the Patrol and the citizens that he has served for nearly 15 years in Laclede County. When asked what he enjoys most about the job, he stated that he still looks forward to the many challenges that a trooper faces every day.

Bldg. & Grnds. Maint. II Dennis S. Smith



Appointed: August 20, 2006.

First Assignment: Building & Grounds Maintenance I, Troop H, St. Joseph.

Promotions: Building & Grounds Maintenance II – August 19, 2007.

Current Assignment: Building & Grounds Maintenance II, Troop H, St. Joseph.

Family: Dennis is married to Barbara and the couple has three grown children: Josh, Melissa, and Shauna. They also have three grandchildren: Julis, 8, Kalyn, 5, and Carter, 2.

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Interests: Dennis enjoys riding his motorcycle, playing pool, mushroom hunting, and camping. He also loves to spend time with his family.

Dennis is a native of St. Joseph and is a graduate of Benton High School. Prior to his employment with the Patrol, he worked for Prime Tanning in St. Joseph. Dennis loves his job and working for the Patrol. He really enjoys his co-workers at Troop H and is very content.

Sgt. Kevin G. Haywood



Appointed: September 1, 1985.

First Assignment: Troop B Zone 2, Macon & Shelby counties.

Promotions: Corporal—May 1, 1994; Sergeant—January 1, 2007.

Current Assignment: Pilot, Troop H, St. Joseph.

Family: Kevin and his wife, Gwendal, have eight children. Four are grown—Jamie, Issac, Brittney, and Seth—and four are still at home: Israel, 16, Kristian, 16, Kevin Jr. 15, and Kaleigh (a.k.a. “Doodles”), 7. The Haywoods also have seven grandchildren and number eight is on the way.

Interests: Kevin enjoys spending time with the Lord and his family. He also spends time hunting and fishing.

Kevin is a native of University City, MO, and graduated from University City High School. After high school, he became interested in law enforcement and joined the University City cadet program. Kevin worked as a University City police officer for five years

prior to becoming a trooper. During his career, Kevin has worked many different details—the state fair, manhunts, and presidential details. In 2004, and again in 2005, Kevin was awarded the Northwest Missouri Law Enforcement Valor Award for his actions while on duty.

Kevin says the Patrol is like a large family who has genuine concern for employees and their families.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Justice Atley

Tpr. Travis S. & Mrs. Terra N. Croft
Troop C

William Zane

Tpr. J. Clayton & Mrs. Katharine A. Marlin
Troop D

Kale Hunter

Cpl. Gerry L. & Mrs. Lucynda L. West
Troop F

Ella Jolynn

Sgt. Brian L. & Mrs. Erica L. Daniels
Troop A

Henry William

Tpr. David A. & Mrs. Regina A. Close
Troop C

Harper Rose

Tpr. W. Sean & Mrs. Christina S. Lashmet
Troop H

Janessa Marie

Tpr. Robert D. & Mrs. Christy L. Crewse
Troop G

Ayla Sue

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Q/CJISD

Blane Michael

Mr. Caleb M. & DE III Leena C. Harris
Troop D

Julia Diana

Cpl. Jason A. & Mrs. Deborah M. “Debbie” Green
Troop A

Ethan Michael

Tpr. James M. “Michael” & Mrs. Erica D. Linegar
Troop D

L.E.T.S.A.C. Honors Tpr. Vogt

By Capt. J. Tim Hull, Q/PIED

The Law Enforcement Traffic Safety Advisory Council held their annual conference for 2010 at The Inn at Port Arrowhead in Lake Ozark, MO, on July 12-16, 2010. Each year, the council honors officers from four categories for the tremendous accom-

plishments they had achieved for the previous year as "Traffic Officer of the Year". They honor officers from small departments, medium departments, large departments, and the Missouri State Highway Patrol. The awards were presented at the conference banquet held on the evening of July 15, 2010.



Capt. Lee Ann H. Kenley, Troop I (left), Col. Ron Replogle (center right), and Major J. Bret Johnson, Q/FOB (right), were present at the LETSAC awards ceremony to congratulate Tpr. Brock Vogt, Troop I (center left).

This year's Patrol recipient was Trooper Brock A. Vogt. Tpr. Vogt has been with the Patrol for over two years and currently is assigned to Troop I, Zone 1, Phelps County. During the year 2009, Tpr. Vogt totaled 1,661 arrests, issued 2,819 warnings, and investigated 89 traffic crashes. These totals included:

- DWI Arrests – 102
- Felony Criminal Arrests – 38
- Misdemeanor Criminal Arrests – 65

Tpr. Vogt's exemplary attributes include his devotion to duty, dependability, and leadership skills. He has represented the Missouri State Highway Patrol with distinction and honor, and his outstanding performance as a Missouri state trooper has brought credit upon himself, the Patrol, and the state of Missouri. With this distinction has come the award of Missouri State Highway Patrol LETSAC Officer of the Year.

Congratulations, Tpr. Vogt, on your accomplishment!

Criminalist Proves He's 'Top Shot'

By Crime Laboratory Division

Congratulations to Criminalist II Alexander A. "Alex" Belt, Q/CLD! Alex is a firearms examiner assigned to the Patrol's Crime Laboratory in Springfield. Not only are firearms his "business", but they are also his hobby. For the last six years, Alex has competed against marksmen from around the world in various events at the National Rifle Matches held annually at Camp Perry, Ohio. At this year's National Matches, he beat out 1,249 competitors in the National John C. Garand Match, finishing first with a score of 291-11X, making him the 2010 John C. Garand Match national champion. Alex shot this match with an authentic U.S. government, as-issued M1 Garand using iron sights at a distance of 200 yards. The course of fire consisted of 10 rounds from the prone position, 10 rounds rapid fire from the

prone position, and 10 rounds from the standing position.

The M1 Garand was the standard service rifle utilized by the United States military during World War II and the Korean War. The rifle was adopted by the U.S. military in 1936, and was manufactured until 1957, when it was replaced by the M14. However, the M1 continued to see military service into the 1960s. General George S. Patton Jr. once said, "In my opinion, the M1 rifle is the greatest battle implement ever devised."

Congratulations, Alex!

Criminalist II Alex Belt, Q/CLD, holds the trophy he earned at the 2010 John C. Garand Match and his M1, which he used at the competition.



Tpr. Doza Recognized By DPS

By Public Information Specialist III Cheryl D. Cobb, Q/PIED

Department of Public Safety Deputy Director Andrea Spillars presented the DPS Employee of the Month award for July 2010 to Trooper Donald L. Doza, Troop F.

The honor came during a special ceremony on Tuesday, July 20, 2010, at General Headquarters. Tpr. Doza was honored for his actions at a traffic crash. On April 28, 2010, Tpr. Doza arrived at the scene of an injury traffic crash on Interstate 70 at the 113-mile marker in Cooper County. A white van pulling a camper trailer had collided with the end of a guardrail, causing the camper trailer to jackknife.

Tpr. Doza found an unconscious, older gentleman in the driver's seat. Two Cooper County medics were on scene, as well as Cooper County Fire Chief Dave Gehm. While Tpr. Doza was investigating the crash, a bystander informed him the camper was on fire and flames were quickly working their way through the vehicle. Chief Gehm told Tpr. Doza the firetrucks were stuck in traffic on the way to the scene. Tpr. Doza grabbed his ASP baton and used it to break out the driver's window.

He attempted to remove the gentleman from the vehicle without success, because he was trapped by the steering wheel and dashboard. He yelled for help, but none came. Tpr. Doza then moved to the front of the vehicle and used his baton to break the front windshield of the van. However, flames and smoke prevented him from gaining access to the driver from that direction.

Tpr. Doza continued to shout at bystanders to help him free the driver. Chief Gehm overheard his call for help and came to assist. As the two men continued to work to free the driver, the smoke was almost unbearable and caused them to cough heavily. As gasoline was puddling under their feet



DPS Deputy Director Andrea Spillars (l) presented the DPS Employee of the Month Award for July 2010 to Tpr. Donald L. Doza, Troop F (center). Col. Ron Replogle (right) was present to congratulate him.

and propane tanks exploded behind them, Chief Gehm told Tpr. Doza they may not be able to free the driver. Tpr. Doza then became determined to free the man. In one final move, Tpr. Doza freed the driver from the burning vehicle. The chief and Tpr. Doza pulled the man, who was identified as Mr. Aaron Norder, over the guardrail and into the ditch just as the camper exploded again and his van was engulfed in flames.

"The immediate actions taken by Trooper Doza clearly saved Mr. Norder's life," said Captain Gregory D. Kindle, commanding officer of Troop F. "Trooper Doza unselfishly put himself in harm's way in order to free Mr. Norder from the burning wreckage."

The driver was transported by helicopter to University Hospital in Columbia, MO. He continues to recover. Tpr. Doza was treated at University Hospital for cuts on his arms and hands, and smoke inhalation, prior to being released.

As DPS Employee of the Month, Tpr. Doza receives a framed certificate, challenge coin, and his name added to a traveling plaque.

"Trooper Doza's action of saving Mr. Aaron Norder from his burning vehicle is certainly a very heroic act—one that would qualify as an act of valor," said Colonel Ron Replogle, superintendent of the Patrol, "Regardless of award recognition, Don's selfless actions saved the life of another person and I am very proud of him."

Congratulations, Tpr. Doza!

(Editor's note: This isn't the first time Trooper Donald L. Doza's actions were valorous. In 2001, he was awarded the Patrol's Valor Award for his courage and bravery during a traffic stop. He also was named August 2010 Missouri State Employee Of The Month.

The MASTERS Recognize Rosciglione, Saffo Families

By The MASTERS

In June 2010, the Rosciglione family of St. Charles held their 6th annual fundraiser in memory and honor of their family member, J.P. Rosciglione, who died in a hit and run traffic crash in 2005. As in past years, the proceeds from this event were donated to The MASTERS in appreciation of the kindness and dedication shown to their family at the time of the traffic crash by officers of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, Trooper Eric F. Brown, Troop B, and Sergeant Philip D. Hoffman, Troop C. The event raised over \$10,000 this year! Since the events began in 2005, in excess of \$50,000 has been donated to The MASTERS through the efforts of the Rosciglione family.



(l to r) Kathy Saffo, Brian Saffo, and Jim Saffo accept a Lifetime Honorary Membership in The MASTERS. The MASTERS gave this recognition in appreciation of their generosity.

Mr. Jim Saffo, his wife, Kathy, and son, Brian, of Moscow Mills, owns Bowl Haven in Alton, IL. The Saffos have allowed the Roscigliones to use

their bowling alley each year to host their fundraising event. Their sponsorship of this event has been a great contribution in making the benefits a huge success. It was with great appreciation that Troop C The MASTERS Director Bill Ronecker presented a Lifetime Honorary Membership in The MASTERS to the Saffos on the night of the fundraiser.

Thank you to the Roscigliones, the Jim Saffo family, and all those who sponsored and participated in this year's fundraiser! This gift is greatly appreciated by The MASTERS and will be used to help families of those members of the Patrol who have made the ultimate sacrifice in protecting the citizens of Missouri.

Sgt. Shoop Recipient of American Legion 2010 Law and Order Award

By Troop B

On July 10, 2010, Sergeant Tim D. Shoop, Troop B, was presented with the American Legion 2010 Law & Order Award. Sgt. Shoop accepted the award during the American Legion's Annual Department Convention at Capitol Plaza Hotel in Jefferson City, MO.

Before joining the Missouri State Highway Patrol, Sgt. Shoop served in the United States Army. He enlisted in the Army on June 1, 1988, and was assigned to the 1/505 Parachute Infantry Regiment in Fort Bragg, NC. In August 1990, he was deployed to Saudi Arabia and participated in Operations Desert Shield/Desert Storm. Upon returning from deployment on 1991, Sgt. Shoop separated from the Army as a corporal. Sgt. Shoop began his career with the Patrol on August 1, 1993. His first assignment was Troop A, Clay County. In



May 2001, he moved to Troop B and was assigned to Zone 3, serving the citizens of Linn and Chariton counties. In 2008, he earned a promotion to corporal and on July 1, 2010, he was promoted to sergeant and designated zone commander of Zone 3.

Sgt. Shoop was nominated by the Troop B staff for this award due to his continued strong work ethic and dedication to the Patrol. He is also well known for being a firearms and defensive tactics instructor. Sgt. Shoop has a daughter, Brooklyn Taylor Shoop, 15.

Pictured (l to r) are Sixth District Commander and Chairman of the Law and Order Committee Kenneth Goth, American Legion, Sergeant Tim D. Shoop, Troop B, Department Commander Charles W. Goodin, American Legion, and Lieutenant Brian N. Anderson, Troop B.

Troop F Recognizes Honorary Troopers

By Sgt. Paul J. Reinsch, Troop F

Troop F recently honored two individuals with Honorary Trooper certificates for their actions following a patrol vehicle crash in Montgomery County.

On the evening of June 25, 2010, Sergeant Brandon M. White was traveling northbound on Missouri Highway 19 in Montgomery County, while responding to an officer-involved shooting just outside of Wellsville, MO. Prior to arriving at his destination, Sgt. White was involved in a serious, single vehicle, rollover traffic crash. At the time of the

Mr. Levi McCurdy (center) accepted an Honorary Trooper certificate from Sgt. Brandon White (left) and Capt. Gregory D. Kindle, Troop F.

crash, Mr. Levi M. McCurdy was traveling southbound on his motorcycle, on MO-19. Mr. McCurdy witnessed Sgt. White's patrol car travel off the road and overturn. Mr. McCurdy pulled over and immediately called 9-1-1. He remained on scene and assisted



Mr. Jacob A. Spinks, who had heard the crash from his residence, with providing medical assistance to Sgt. White.

The members of the Missouri State Highway Patrol respond to stressful situations involving the public on a daily basis. However, in this incident Mr. McCurdy and Mr. Spinks responded to assist an injured member of the Patrol. They did so without hesitation. It is with much respect that they were presented this award.



Sgt. Brandon White (left) and Capt. Gregory D. Kindle (right) presented an Honorary Trooper certificate to Jacob A. Spinks at Troop F.

See You On The Radio!

By MVI III Charles G. McMillan, Troop D

Lt. Terry W. Moore, Troop D, has made guest appearances on several radio programs on both KWTO AM and FM for 15 years. Most recently, he has had a regularly scheduled, bi-weekly segment on "JOCK 98.7 FM" hosted by KYTV Sports Director Ned Reynolds and Drury University Sports information Director Scott Puryear. During each appearance, Lt. Moore is able to discuss and take questions on a wide variety of traffic safety and enforcement topics. Funding and sponsorship for this opportunity is from District 8 Blueprint for Safer Roadways and Andy's Frozen Custard in Springfield.

Recently, Colonel Ron Replogle, Patrol superintendent, appeared with Lt. Moore and was interviewed by program hosts Reynolds and Puryear. In addition to the highway safety-oriented conversation, they discussed the "glory days" of the colonel's career as a basketball and football player at Marshfield High School and later at Missouri University of Science and Technology (Rolla, MO).



Col. Ron Replogle (center), Q/Staff, and Lt. Terry Moore (right), Troop D, enjoy an interview with Mr. Scott Puryear at KWTO.

Promotions and Reclassifications



George W. Arnold
Lieutenant
Troop G



Christopher L. Cerroni
Sergeant
Troop B



Gregory A. DuBois
Sergeant
Troop I



George H. Falterman
Sergeant
Troop G



Douglas M. McDaniel
Sergeant
Troop E



Bradley D. Ream
Sergeant
Troop B



Ricky L. Watson
Sergeant
Troop C



Shawn D. Altermatt
Corporal
Troop I



Christopher R.
Blackmon
Corporal
Troop A



Carl W. Bone
Corporal
Troop C



Travis S. Croft
Corporal
Troop C



Steven N. Foster
Corporal
Troop G



Timothy J. Hourihan
Corporal
Q/GD



Alexander H.
Michajliczenko
Corporal
Troop C



Greg M. Prussman
Corporal
Q/GD

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Barton M. Seymore
Corporal
Troop C



Tycee M. Williams
Corporal
Troop C



Brian D. Douglas
Asst. Chief Tech.
Q/CommD



Pennie S. Weisacosky
Comm. Oper. III
Troop I



Pamela M. Aberle
Crim. Hist. Spec. I
Q/CJISD



Courtney M. Borman
Fiscal & Budg. Analyst
II
Q/BPD



Carla J. Bruemmer
Desig. Princ. Asst.
Q/Asst. Sup. Ofc.



Darla L. Conway
DE II
Troop I



Shirley R. Gentry
DE II
Troop E



Stephen M. Ham
MVI III
Troop C



Brian K. Hoey
Crime Lab. Mgr.
Q/CLD



Taremba Karizamimba
CVE Insp. I
Troop E



Shena L. Latcham
Criminalist III
Q/CLD



Jeffrey A. Meyer
CVO Sprv. I
Troop A



Loretta C. Mitchell
Traffic Safety Analyst I
Q/TFD

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Roger P. Rudstrom
AFIS Entry Oper. I
Q/CJISD



Cynthia A. Scheidt
Special Assistant
Q/ASB



Hannah R. Taylor
DE III
Troop D



Steven K. Thompson
CVO Sprv. I
Troop C



Frances L. Waid
AFIS Entry Oper. II
Q/CJISD



Danny L. Williams
DE II
Troop F



Deborah Willoughby
Clerk IV
Q/TFD



Courtney E. Workman
Criminalist III
Q/CLD

Thinking Outside The Box ... Troopers Use Creativity & LIDAR

By Sgt. Collin M. Stosberg, Troop A

On August 19, 2010, several members of Troop A, Zone 11, Cass County, utilized a MoDOT tractor to conduct a successful LIDAR operation. They parked the tractor in the median on U.S. Highway 71 at the New Cass Parkway, south of Belton, MO. Though the operation was cut short by rain, over 20 vehicles were stopped in the construction zone in less than two hours.

Trooper M. David Miranda made other troopers aware of which cars were exceeding the speed limit while sitting in this MoDOT tractor.



Patrol Commissions 27 New Troopers

By Tpr. Bruce E. Thoman, Troop B

On July 23, 2010, I woke up in the Capitol Plaza Hotel. My wife and parents and I had stayed there after the recruit class gathering the night before. Graduation day started out busy. I was rushing around making sure I had everything I needed. I didn't want to be that guy that didn't have his tie or something. It seemed very hectic.

A lot of people got ready at the hotel, but I went to the Academy early, because I wanted to get ready there. The class posed for a bunch of pictures, and that took a while. Then, all of the sudden, it was time for graduation.

We lined up single file in the lobby as we waited for commands from Sergeant Mark A. Wilson, Q/TND. I was thinking about my speech, going over it in my head. When I walked into the gym, I was pleasantly surprised by the number of people that felt it was worthwhile to show up to our graduation. I remember feeling relieved that the Academy experience was coming to an end. I also wanted to remember everything about that day.

Pastor Michael Neff, Calvary Temple Assembly of God, St. Charles, MO, gave the invocation and benediction. The Troop F Honor Guard presented and retired the colors, and Cpl. Andrew

A. Henry, Troop H, sang the national anthem. All of them did well and added to our graduation experience.

Colonel Tim Fitch, of the St. Louis County Police Department, addressed the class at graduation. He told us law enforcement isn't just a job, it's a journey. He said our journey would have its ups and downs, and wouldn't always be fair. He encouraged us to remember and honor those troopers who have given their lives in the line of duty.

Col. Fitch stressed the importance of teamwork, with other members of the Patrol as well as outside the agency among all levels of law enforcement. We were told that every time we make a decision, someone would be unhappy either because of a ticket or an arrest. But, we shouldn't dwell on that unhappy person, because we're doing our duty and following our training.

Although it's only been a few weeks that we've been doing the job, every-



Tpr. Bruce E. Thoman, class commander, speaks on behalf of his classmates during the graduation ceremony.

thing he said is true. When we're going through the Academy, it seems like everything we're going to do is going to be wonderful. But, once we got out and started doing the job, there really are people who are unhappy with us. It can play with your emotions. We knew what Col. Fitch said was right, but it didn't sink in until we were on the road.

"Let me remind you that your oath of office is a heavy obligation," said Col. Fitch. "Integrity is the main ingredient to having a successful journey as a law enforcement officer."

Truer words have never been spoken.

I'd like to thank Judge Patricia Breckenridge, Supreme Court of Missouri, who administered our oath, for being part of graduation. Of course, this story wouldn't be complete without making note of the awards presented to four of my recruit classmates. The Physical Fitness Award went to Trooper Quinton L. DiNovi. The Firearms Award went to Trooper Craig D. Fieser. Trooper Brandon M. Parker earned the Academic Award for the class. The Superintendent's Award for



Members of the 91st Recruit Class graduated on July 23, 2010. They reported for duty on August 9, 2010.

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The Honorable Patricia Breckenridge witnesses Tpr. Craig Fieser sign his Oath of Office.

overall achievement was presented to Trooper Trenton L. Rhea. I congratulate them all.

Colonel Ron Replogle's remarks meant a lot to me and my wife. His dedication to his profession and his concern for every employee came through in his remarks. It is encouraging to know that we have a man of such diligent faith and compassion as our leader. We all feel welcomed into the family he spoke so much about.

I was the last to speak during the graduation ceremony. I had gone over my speech a bunch of times, but I was more nervous than I expected. It was a tremendous honor to serve as the class commander. I told those present that my classmates and I feel we are highly trained and ready to apply the laws with compassion. I also thanked the people of Missouri for their trust and assured them we wouldn't let them down. I have to admit I was relieved when my speech was over.

When the graduation ceremony was over, we had to sign our commission cards with Judge Breckenridge. We had an opportunity to say goodbye and thank you to the instructors and the staff. We spoke with each other about what we had done and what we were about to do. Then, we took time to pose for pictures with our families and each other. We gathered our belongings and said our goodbyes to each other. We knew that this was an ending of sorts, but also a new beginning. As Captain David P. Perkins, Q/TND, said, "We are ready to work hard at work worth doing."

Listed below are the names, hometowns, and first assignments for members of the 91st Recruit Class:

Name	Hometown	First Assignment
Nicholas J. Borgmeyer*	Jefferson City, MO	Troop F, Cooper/Howard Counties
Angela M. Coval	St. Peters, MO	Troop C, St. Charles County
Quinton L. DiNovi,	Villa Ridge, MO	Troop C, St. Louis County
Ralicia A. Feuerborn	Brookline, MO	Troop I, Phelps/Maries Counties
Craig D. Fieser	Springfield, MO	Troop C, St. Louis County
Charles D. Gullett	DeSoto, MO	Troop C, Jefferson County
Brandon A. Hall	Rogersville, MO	Troop C, St. Louis County
Kelly M. Hoover	Kingsville, MO	Troop B, Lewis/Knox Counties
Kyle J. Isenberg	Springfield, MO	Troop C, St. Louis County
Daniel T. Kline	Rogersville, MO	Troop F, Audrain County
Austin D. Lindgren	St. Charles, MO	Troop C, St. Charles County
Barbara M. Littrell	Royal Oak, MI	Troop B, Sullivan/Putnam Counties
Jeremy R. McCurdy	St. James, MO	Troop C, Franklin County
Gregory R. Moravec	Belvidere, IL	Troop I, Dent County
Andrew P. Neff	Wentzville, MO	Troop C, St. Charles County
Elisha A. Pape	Eureka, MO	Troop C, St. Louis County
Brandon M. Parker	Branson, MO	Troop A, Henry County
David A. Paulsen*	Lincoln, MO	Troop F, Montgomery County
Trenton L. Rhea	Platte City, MO	Troop A, Henry County
Joshua R. Summers	Archie, MO	Troop C, Franklin County
Brett D. Tappendorf	Altamont, IL	Troop B, Clark/Scotland Counties
Bruce E. Thoman	Nixa, MO	Troop B, Monroe/Randolph Counties
Evan M. VanWinkle	Van Buren, MO	Troop C, Jefferson County
Paul V. Volkmer*	Rolla, MO	Troop G, Howell/Oregon Counties
Steven J. Washabaugh	Jefferson City, MO	Troop C, St. Charles County
Paul R. Wells*	Salem, MO	Troop G, Carter/Reynolds Counties
Jasmine D. Whittler	Springfield, MO	Troop C, St. Charles County

** These troopers were awarded an associate's degree from Mineral Area College based on their coursework at the Patrol's Law Enforcement Academy.*

Col. Replogle Welcomes New Troopers

By Public Info. Spec. III Cheryl D. Cobb, Q/PIED

When I spoke to Tpr. Bruce E. Thoman, Troop B, about his graduation story, he told me, "For my wife and me, one of our favorite parts of graduation was when Colonel (Ron) Replogle addressed the class." I thought perhaps our readers would like to know a little more. Thank you, Col. Replogle for sharing your notes.

In his address, Col. Replogle congratulated the 91st Recruit Class. He also thanked their families for instilling the values the Patrol looks for and for supporting them through their Academy experience. He told the new troopers' families, "They are going to need your help, understanding, and partnership. Encourage them, pray with them, listen to them, and be there for them."

He instructed the new troopers to remember their 25 weeks of training, and stressed, "Never forget who you work for—not me, not your troop commander or your zone sergeant. We all work together for the citizens of this great state. Never let them down and always give them your best. They deserve it."



Colonel Ron Replogle, superintendent of the Missouri State Highway Patrol addresses the agency's newest troopers.

Col. Replogle spoke of the agency's core values and asked the class to remember those who have made the ultimate sacrifice. "I will pray for your safety each and every day, and I would encourage all of you to do the same," he said.

Col. Replogle gave the new troopers these words of advice:

"The six most important words you can say are, 'I admit I made a mistake.' The five most important words you can say are, 'You did a good job.' The four most important words you can say are, 'What is your opinion?' The three most important words you can say are, 'If you please.' The two most important words you can say are, 'Thank you.' The most important word you can say is, 'We.' The least important word you can say is, 'I.'"

"Never forget that we are ladies and gentlemen who enforce the law!" said Col. Replogle. He also encouraged the troopers to show compassion for those they serve. "May God bless and keep you safe throughout your entire career. Good luck!"



A family tradition of service and protection continues. From left to right: Sgt. Eric K. Volkmer, Troop I, retired Lt. Col. Paul V. Volkmer, Tpr. Paul V.J. Volkmer, Troop G, retired Sgt. Paul Mertens, and Cpl. Scott E. Mertens, Q/DDCC.



Colonel Ron Replogle salutes Tpr. Elisha A. Pape.

Stop Texting & Start Driving More Safely!

By Public Info. Spec. III Cheryl D. Cobb, Q/PIED



The Missouri State Highway Patrol formed a partnership with Con-way Freight and Roush/Fenway Racing to raise public awareness of the dangers associated with distracted driving and driving while texting. Sergeant Daniel S. Braunschweiler, Troop D, developed a vision of an "anti-texting" program. Graphic Artist Erin M. Center, Q/PIED, created a logo that was turned into stickers, door clings, and window clings. The idea to display the graphic on a stock car owned by Roush/Fenway Racing and sponsored by Con-way Freight grew into a kick-off event for the anti-texting program. The unveiling of the logo took place in St. Louis and was tied to the Missouri/Illinois Dodge Dealers 250 race at Gateway International Speedway in Madison, IL.

It should be noted that a number of Patrol employees assisted in making this event a success. Sgt. Michael Watson, Troop D, introduced the idea to Con-way Freight and, therefore, to Roush/Fenway Racing. Sergeant Al P. Nothum, Troop C, planned the media event in St. Louis. Lieutenants Terry R. Moore, Troop D, and John J. Hotz, Q/PIED, helped coordinate logistics of the event and represented the Patrol at the track during the race. Photographer Brenda J. Schmitz, Q/PIED, worked the event to capture photographs of all the event activities. Colonel Ron Re-



plogle, Major J. Bret Johnson, Q/B, Captain Ron Johnson (Troop C), Captain J. Timothy Hull (Q/PIED), and Captain Juan O. Villanueva, Troop D, provided the command support necessary for the project to be a success. Also, special thanks to Troop C's motorcycle officers, who were also present and added an exciting touch that interested Driver Colin Braun.

Distracted driving is an age-old problem, made more noticeable with today's advanced technology. The importance of paying attention while driving cannot be overstated. This anti-texting program addresses a

fairly new phenomenon by providing an obvious solution to the problem. Traffic crashes will be avoided if drivers simply refrain from texting while driving.

plogle, Major J. Bret Johnson, Q/B, Captain Ron Johnson (Troop C), Captain J. Timothy Hull



Col. Ron Replogle (left) presented plaques of appreciation to Mr. Bill Wynn (right) of Con-way Freight, and Driver Colin Braun of Roush/Fenway Racing for their partnership. Also in the picture Lt. Terry Moore, Troop D.



The anti-driving while texting logo was affixed to the hood of car 16 for the race. Afterward, the hood was given to the Patrol's Safety Education Center for display.



MSHP employees were allowed to watch the race from the pit area. Here, the Con-way Freight car comes in for service.

WORKDAY EXPERIENCE DELIGHTS PATROL KIDS

By Miss Danielle West

I awoke at 6:30 a.m. on August 5, and was out the door by 7 a.m. I rode with my dad all the way to the General Headquarters building where he works in the Human Resources Division. As I walked down the hall to my dad's office, I got the chance to meet many of the other kids that were there with their parent for Bring Your Child To Work Day!

We headed down to the gym around 8 a.m. for instructions on where to go for our first activity of the day. My group was sent to the bomb robot presentation first. This presentation was given by Sergeant Dave Martin (Q/DDCC). During the presentation, he demonstrated how the robot works and told a few funny and cool stories that involved the robot. After we were finished with that, we headed down to the indoor range!

This has to be my very, very favorite presentation of my first Bring Your Child To Work Day! This presentation, demonstration, and hands-on activity was given by Corporal Jeff White (Q/TND). Then came my favorite part of the entire Bring Your Child To Work Day – the shooting!! We all got a chance to shoot an Air Soft pistol and rifle! I hit the target in the head on my second shot with the pistol!

Then we moved to the museum in PIED for a scavenger hunt. With the time left after the scavenger hunt, we got to explore a little. The museum was pretty interesting in my opinion. I got



Human Resources Division employees and their children took this photo during Bring Your Kids To Work Day. From l to r are: (back row) Lt. Jerry C. West, Danielle West, Shelby Coulson, Sgt. Kristin D. Coulson, Megan Lewis, Personnel Records Clerk I Sherry Lewis; Sgt. Julie Kerr, Allison Kerr, Capt. Sandra Karsten, Paul Karsten, Alexander Flannigan, Lt. D. Tony Flannigan.

to see a few pictures of my dad. I also learned a few things and got to see some stuff I had never seen before and probably would never have gotten to see if I hadn't visited the museum. After finishing up at the museum, we headed to the Crime Laboratory presentation by Criminalist III Kim Hardin (Q/CLD). Ms. Hardin had a cool PowerPoint presentation prepared for us. It was complete with lots of cool and interesting pictures and information about the Crime Lab, and the different jobs done there. Then came the hands-on activity. We got to dust for fingerprints!

Next, we headed to the cafeteria for a scrumptious lunch! I absolutely loved it, and I got to meet a few people and try some cool and yummy new foods!



Criminalist III Kim Hardin guided the young people as they looked for fingerprints.

My wonderful day was almost over ... all except for the making of the Amber Alert I.D. card. After I was measured and my picture was taken, I received my card, and Dad and I headed back to his office. I spent some time in my dad's office, and then I gathered all my stuff from the day and we headed home.

I had a wonderful time at my first Bring Your Child To Work Day! This was such an exciting, unique, and once in a lifetime opportunity, and it all took place while I was at work with my fantastic father! I can't wait to get to attend another Bring Your Child To Work Day. I don't think I will ever forget the 2010 Bring Your Child To Work Day at the Highway Patrol!

(Editor's note: Thank you, Danielle, for writing this story! Danielle is a seventh grade student at Smithton Middle School. She is the daughter of Lieutenant Jerry C. West, Q/HRD.)



The young people found the Bomb Squad's robot very interesting.

Troop C Brings Their Kids To Work

By Sgt. Al P. Nothum, Troop C

As a child, I remember watching my dad leave for work every morning, and wishing I could go with him, instead of getting on the school bus. Then one day, he agreed. I will never forget the excitement and pride I felt as I packed up a lunch and got into his truck, ready to meet his co-workers and step inside his world. The Missouri Highway Patrol's Bring Your Child to Work Day event no doubt helps the children of troopers and staffers across the state live out a similar fantasy for a few hours.

This year's program at Troop C Headquarters, in Weldon Spring, proved to be even more eventful than in the past, while successfully introducing

the youngsters to the Highway Patrol's rich traditions. On Wednesday, July 21, 2010, children of Troop C employees began to arrive as early as 6 a.m.!

Besides the opportunity to walk around a mock crime scene, and take in a demonstration at the gun range, the more than two dozen kids who showed up with their parents also had a chance to take a wild ride in the impaired driving go-kart. Mix in face painting and all the snow cones they could possibly eat (Whoever thought ice and sugar would make such a tasty treat?) and you might call it a full day at the office.

Just in case the youngsters overheated under the hot summer sun, the



Face painting was one of many activities Troop C scheduled on Bring Your Kids To Work Day.

Cottleville Fire Department was on hand with a giant hose, ready to spray them down. Talk about a cool deal! At the end of the day, I'm sure most of the young visitors left with fond memories ... similar to those I still carry around with me to this day, from my visit to my dad's workplace all those years ago.

'Looking Beyond the Stop'

The following officers are to be commended for looking beyond the initial stop. Each of these officers made at least one felony arrest during the period of June 1, 2010 to August 25, 2010. (Editor's Note: This column excludes DWI arrests, warrant arrests, and "plain sight" situations. Keep in mind that there must be information under the "miscellaneous" section of the radio report to be considered for this column.)

Troop A

Tpr. J.S. Baughman, 1 arrest
Tpr. M.P. Fennewald, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.P. Millsap, 2 arrests
Tpr. L.K. Nelson, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.W. Schubert, 1 arrest
Tpr. A.R. Vivas, 1 arrest
Tpr. N.D. Wallace, 1 arrest

Troop B

Tpr. G.R. Fenton, 2 arrests
Tpr. T.J. Haley, 1 arrest

Troop C

Cpl. N.C. Benson, 2 arrests
Tpr. S.V. Buchheit, 1 arrest
Sgt. J.R. Campbell, 1 arrest
Tpr. A.D. Gadberry, 1 arrest
Cpl. T.R. Jenkins, 1 arrest
Tpr. P.C. Long, 2 arrests
Tpr. J.D. Maudlin, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.J. West, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.R. Wheelley, 1 arrest

Troop D

Tpr. Z.K. Bryan, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.W. Choate, 3 arrests
Tpr. S.J. Crewse, 1 arrest
Sgt. S.W. Crouch, 1 arrest
Cpl. T.L. Hall, 4 arrests*
CVO Sprv. I R.L. Talbert, 1 assist*
Sgt. G.S. Horton, 1 arrest
Cpl. C.T. Moreland, 2 arrests
Tpr. A.W. Poulson, 1 arrest
Tpr. L.A. Wilson, 1 arrest

Troop E

Tpr. R.L. Ayers, 4 arrests
Tpr. J.C. Cooksey, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.W. Crank, 2 arrests
Tpr. R.R. Gibson, 2 arrests
Tpr. C.D. Hamlett, 1 arrest
Cpl. M.D. Lynch, 1 arrest
Tpr. N.H. McDaniel, 2 arrests
Tpr. R.D. Owens, 1 arrest
Cpl. J.A. Parsley, 1 arrest
Cpl. M.G. Slaughter, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.A. Wilson, 1 arrest

Troop F

Tpr. S.A. Brazas, 2 arrests
Tpr. B.R. Germann, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.R. Powell, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.K. Sullivan, 1 arrest

Troop G

Tpr. S.M. Dougherty, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.J. Johnson, 1 arrest
Sgt. C.A. Ponder, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.E. Rogers, 1 arrest

Troop H

Tpr. J.E. Christensen, 1 arrest
Cpl. H.B. Cowan, 1 arrest
Tpr. R.P. Dudeck, 1 arrest
Tpr. A.K. Griffin, 2 arrests
Tpr. J.E. Peabody, 1 arrest
Sgt. M.A. Wilhoit, 2 arrests

Troop I

Tpr. M.A. Goodson, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.S. Leathers, 1 arrest
Cpl. N.R. Poynter, 2 arrests
Cpl. K.D. Wilmont, 1 arrest

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Sgt. David A. Leitman



On September 1, 2010, Sergeant David A. Leitman retired from the Missouri State Highway Patrol, after 30 years of service and dedication to the citizens of Missouri.

David started his career with the Missouri State Highway Patrol on January 1, 1980, along with 20 other recruits. After graduation, he was assigned to Troop C, Zone 12, Jefferson County. During his tenure at Troop C, he worked in many of the metropolitan area zones. On September 1, 1989, David was promoted to corporal in Zone 1, St. Louis County. Then, on September 1, 1995, was promoted to sergeant of Zone 12, Jefferson County.

In July 1997, David transferred to General Headquarters, assigned to the newly formed Major Crash Investigative Unit and served as the officer-in-charge of their eastern unit. David said the Major Crash Investigative Unit was his most challenging assignment and he regarded it highly.

In July 2004, he transferred to the Gaming Division and was assigned to the eastside Background Unit. In April 2007, he became the officer-in-charge. This assignment took David to places well outside Missouri's borders. While conducting investigations for the Missouri Gaming Commission, he found himself in 25 states and seven countries to include: the Netherlands, Canada, the Bahamas, Slovenia, Italy, France, and Argentina.

When asked for some of the other notable highlights of his career, David stated for 10 years he was part of the Troop C Special Emergency Response Team. In 1991, and again in 2000, he interned in the Field Operations Bureau. In 1991, the focus of the internship was the original accreditation of the Patrol by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA®). The second internship, in 2000, focused on the planning of Governor Bob Holden's Inauguration.

Prior to his career with the Patrol, David graduated from St. Charles, MO, High School. While waiting to turn 21, he served as a paramedic for the St. Charles County Ambulance District until entering the Missouri State Highway Patrol's Academy in 1980.

David has always been a volunteer. He served with the St. Charles County Volunteer Fire Protection District from 1982 to 1997, eight of those years as station captain. He coached little league soccer and hockey for five years and now currently sits on the board of directors for the Missouri Valley Federal Credit Union.

David married Kathy (Marmon), who is currently an MSHP driver examiner, on April 3, 1982. He stated the Patrol brought them together as Kathy was the supply secretary at Troop C. The couple has two grown sons, David and Eric. David, now Doctor David Leitman, married Brittney (Kramer) in July 2007, and graduated from medical school in May 2010. Dr. Leitman is a captain in the U.S. Army and is stationed at Fort Lewis, Madigan Army Medical Center, in Seattle, WA. Eric is well on his way to becoming a doctor as well. He is currently enrolled at Logan Chiropractic College. David could not be more proud of his family and all of their accomplishments.

As for the future, David has no plans to completely retire. Although he is leaving the Patrol, he has several irons in the fire. He will continue as an adjunct professor at Lindenwood University in St. Charles. David has been

teaching criminal justice courses there for the past four years and finds it therapeutic. As for the remainder of his time, well, let's just say the resumes are out.

From all of us in the Gaming Division and Troop C, we wish David the very best and hope his retirement has as many highlights as his career with the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

Traffic Safety Analyst III Sandra K. "Sandi" Cole



On August 1, 2010, Traffic Safety Analyst III Sandra K. "Sandi" Cole retired from the Missouri State Highway Patrol following 27 years of service. She began her career on May 1, 1983, in the Arrest Records Section of the Traffic Division working as the senior video operator. In August 1993, she moved into the Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS) section of the Traffic Division.

During her tenure in FARS, Sandi was the recipient of several awards for her expertise and accuracy in processing, analyzing, and coding fatal crash information. In fact, she is recognized as being one of the top FARS coders in the nation. Sandi has volunteered many years at charitable events including the Missouri Special Olympics. She was named the Patrol's 2007 Civilian Employee of the Year.

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Sandi has always enjoyed working for the Patrol and is quick to tell people how much she “loves” her job and the people she works with.

“I always thought I would be working for the Patrol well into my senior years. But, right after I became eligible to retire, a job opportunity came along that I just couldn’t pass up.”

Sandi will be going to work full-time for the National Institute for Safety Research Inc. (NISR), which is the federal contractor that has had the FARS coding contract since around 1978. She has worked part-time for them doing quality control work for the last 2 1/2 years. NISR is based in Maryland, so she will do most of her work from home. She will also travel to Maryland and possibly other states to assist when needed. Sandi is thrilled that she gets to continue working with the FARS program and considers this a great opportunity to continue doing what she loves, yet have the flexibility that working from home offers.

Sandi has two grown sons. Jared is a Marine stationed at Camp Pendleton, CA. Jared is married to Michelle (Britton) and they have one daughter Riley Elizabeth—who turned one year old in May. They are expecting their second baby in November.

Jeremy lives in Vienna, MO, with his girlfriend (Kelly Schulte). Jeremy and Kelly just welcomed their first baby, Romy Wayne, on June 22, 2010. Although initially being a “grandma” was rather shocking for Sandi, she quickly adjusted and is quite proud of her two grandchildren. She frequently shows off photos of them. Be sure to check them out on her Facebook page.

In addition to her full-time job, Sandi plans to spend time with her grandchildren, and continue working in her yard, exercising, and spending time at her dad’s place on the Osage River, where she enjoys boating, floating, and barbecuing.

“I’m truly going to miss everyone at the Patrol. I’ve made such great friends over the years that they are more like family than co-workers. It’s

going to be very hard to leave. I plan to stop in from time to time to say hello and do lunch. I also want to extend an open invitation for any of you to stop by and see me. Just call first, so you don’t catch me working in my PJs!”

Asst. Chief Oper. Stephen E. Stillman



On August 1, 2010, Assistant Chief Operator Stephen E. Stillman retired from the Missouri State Highway Patrol after 26½ years of dedicated service. Steve began his career with the Patrol in Troop C on February 1, 1984, as a motor vehicle inspector. On July 1, 1986, Steve became an office manager at the Troop C Service Center. On September 1, 1991, Steve was reclassified as a communications specialist and recognized as part of the Communications Division. On April 1, 1995, Steve transferred to Troop E as a radio and telecommunications technician, and currently holds the position of assistant chief telecommunications engineer.

Steve was born in BonneTerre, MO, and has resided in Leadwood, MO. Steve graduated from Leadwood High School in 1969, and earned an associate’s of arts degree from Mineral Area College in 1982. Steve later received a bachelor’s degree in Bibli-

cal studies from Bethany Bible College and Theological Seminary in Dothan, AL. Steve was ordained in the Churches of God General Conference in 1996. Steve had the privilege of solemnizing the marriages of Field Engineer Warren Reynolds (Troop D) and his wife, Jodi, and Cpl. Jay Sampietro and his wife, Jennifer. Steve is married to Debbie and has a son, Tom, a daughter, Stephanie, and four grandchildren.

Once he retires, Steve will be employed as a chaplain by Preferred Hospice in Farmington, MO. Steve also plans to spend time with his grandchildren, who are all involved in sports, and riding his Harley.

CDL Exam. Deborah S. Winningham



On August 1, 2010, after 22 years of dedicated service, CDL Examiner Deborah S. “Debbie” Winningham retired as an employee of the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

Debbie graduated from high school in 1969, from Appleton City High School. She was hired by the Patrol in 1988. She initially worked in the office at Troop A entering tickets. In 1989, Debbie transferred to the Driver

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Examination Division, and then onto CDL testing in 1990, when it first started. In 1993, Debbie received a Life-saving Award for performing CPR on a truck driver who had a heart attack while taking his driver's test.

Debbie has two grown children, Melodie Alexander and Christopher Blackshear.

When asked about her favorite memories of her career, Debbie said, "All the experiences you incur testing—from funny to frightening—and people you meet when you give driving tests to 16-year-olds all the way to 90-year-olds. Truck drivers that I have given tests to for the last 20 years still come up to me and tell me they remember me; that I gave them their test. Working for the Highway Patrol has given me the honor and privilege of having so many good friends, that I would never have met had it not been for my years in the Patrol. That has been most rewarding of all."

Troop A staff and employees wish Debbie the best throughout retirement, and commend her for her years of dedicated service.

DE Sprv. Jerry T. Estes



On September 1, 2010, after 20 years of dedicated service, Driver Examiner Supervisor Jerry T. Estes re-

tired as an employee of the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

Jerry graduated from high school in 1966, and joined the United States Air Force. He served in the Air Force for 23 years until his retirement in 1990. At the time of his retirement, he held the rank of senior master sergeant. He earned a bachelor's of science degree from Park College.

Jerry had several overseas assignments, including service in the Vietnam War from 1968-1969 at Tan San Nhut Air Base. He also served four tours in Korea. His last duty assignment with the Air Force was at Eaker AFB, in Arkansas, as the law enforcement superintendent. Jerry had a highly decorated military career where he earned the following medals and awards: Airman's Medal, four Meritorious Service medals, seven Commendation medals, five Achievement medals, Vietnam Service medals, five President Outstanding Unit medals, along with many others.

Jerry began his career with the Patrol in 1990, and was assigned to the Gladstone Driver Examination Office. During his career, he was promoted to driver examiner supervisor and, for a short time, served as the driver examiner chief at Troop A. His duties and special assignments include DE Basic School and CDL instructor, DE Committee, and he has represented the Patrol at numerous farm shows in Kansas City. Jerry also served as one of the BAT Van drivers for Troop A and has assisted troopers at many checkpoints throughout the state.

Jerry married Raelene (Walters) in 1997. Raelene is also a driver examiner in Troop A. Together, they have three daughters: Michelle Estes-Re-luzco, who lives in New York City, NY, Stephenie Adams, of Lee's Summit, MO, and Stacci O'Neal, of Ft. Myers, FL. Jerry and Raelene are expecting their third grandchild in December. Jerry is a member of the Air Force Vietnam Security Police Association, VFW, and Missouri Arms Collectors

Association. Jerry is an avid gun, coin, and currency collector.

Jerry said the Patrol was a great opportunity for him. He has enjoyed the training and getting the chance to meet and/or work with all the driver examiners throughout the state. As a matter of fact, Jerry has accepted a 1,000-hour position with the Patrol to serve as its first statewide CDL auditor. In this position, he will be conducting compliance checks and audits at each Patrol DE office and third party testing stations throughout the state.

Troop A staff and employees wish Jerry the best throughout retirement, and commend him for his years of dedicated service.

Desig. Princ. Asst. Bonnie J. Kampeter



After 34 years of dedicated service, Designated Principal Assistant Bonnie J. Kampeter retired September 1, 2010. She began working for the Missouri State Highway Patrol six days before she turned 18. It was July 1976, a few short months after Bonnie had graduated from Fatima High School in Westphalia, MO.

Bonnie grew up in Koeltztown, MO. "I have one brother and four sisters; he's in the middle. I grew up in a farmhouse without running water; the bathroom came later and was in the milk house across the yard. Prior to

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that, we had an outhouse until I was in high school. Dad was a dairy farmer and bus driver for about 40 years. We milked cows twice a day. It seemed that Dad got Mom and some of us kids started and then slipped away until we were cleaning up! The school bus he started out with was a station wagon with the lights on top. Every time we went somewhere in the station wagon as a family, we'd have to take the lights off first! Eventually, he purchased a regular school bus."

Bonnie said she enjoyed high school and was involved in several activities, including FBLA (business club) and FHA (homemakers club). High school was where she met her husband, Rick. The sweethearts married on October 20, 1979, and had two children. Their son, Wesley, is married to Kelly and they have a son named Trenton. Their daughter, Emily, is married to Trevor Libbert, and they have a son named Hunter.

Bonnie said back in 1976, she happened to stop by General Headquarters when she was looking for work and was told that Troop F would have an opening soon. She was sent to Troop F where she spoke with Captain F.A. "Bud" Jones (retired major) and Sue Coffman, the troop secretary, for about 30 minutes. They called her a couple of days later and asked her to come to work the following Monday. Bonnie said it was the only position she's held that didn't require an interview board!

Bonnie was a clerk typist at Troop F and entered traffic tickets into the computer. (The troop did have a computer at that time – but only for this specific purpose and nothing else.) When Clerk Typist Theresa Backes (now HRD's special assistant) transferred to General Headquarters, Bonnie would move to her desk. In that position she was tasked with typing the schedules, narratives on patrol car crashes, and officer evaluations, as well as checking traffic crash reports.

In 1982, Bonnie became a driver examiner assigned to Troop F. "You

get to meet a lot of different people," she said of the experience. "You also get to ride with some good drivers and some not-so-good drivers. I liked being able to be outside more. In the spring and fall that was wonderful." She also noted that as a driver examiner she interacted with mostly young people – and that was sometimes hair-raising.

After a few years, Bonnie decided being a driver examiner wasn't something she wanted to do "for the next 20-some years". So, she went back to school, brushed up on her shorthand, and began searching for secretarial work. In 1988, she became a stenographer and transferred to Human Resources Division at General Headquarters.

"It was supposed to be a new position, a 'floating' stenographer," said Bonnie. She explained that she was assigned to Human Resources Division, but was to be available to cover for anyone in other divisions who was out sick or on maternity leave. "But, it never materialized. I filled in throughout HRD, helping with the selection process and different odds and ends. The worker's compensation was handled in HRD at that time. When that job came open, I transferred laterally to that."

Bonnie landed in the Motor Vehicle Inspection Division in 1989, where she worked for Larry R. Walker, Joe E. Faber, and Roy G. Foss, all of whom have since retired as captains, and retired Lieutenant Dave Reynolds. In December 1993, she was promoted to secretary of that division. This proved to be quite fortunate, as a month later, the secretarial position in the Field Operations Bureau opened and she was able to apply for it.

"It was a big change to go from the division to bureau," said Bonnie. "FOB is a busy place. There's always someone calling in needing something. It was a fun time and probably my favorite job. I never had to look for work in FOB and always had great people to work with."

Bonnie would serve as the secretary and special assistant for Majors

Weldon L. Wilhoit, James R. Brooks, Morris E. Patrick, Roger D. Stottlemire, and Edward H. Bliefnick. "Major Wilhoit had the most remarkable memory I've ever known. He remembered every trooper's name and their wife's name. We would ask him for information rather than look it up."

In 2003, Bonnie became the designated principal assistant for the assistant superintendent of the Patrol. William K. Seibert was the lieutenant colonel at the time. When he retired in 2006, Lieutenant Colonel Richard L. Coffey took over. It is from this position that Bonnie retires.

"Paperwork comes in from all the bureaus. There are e-mails to GHQ Mail from all of the troops," Bonnie said. "There are a lot of things going on there. You have to keep the paperwork moving in the right direction. It's a paper cycle – you have to keep it moving or people start calling!"

Bonnie's retirement plans will keep her busy, also. "I'm going to take care of grandchildren—mostly Hunter. Both are welcome any time!"

She says she is also going to try to catch up on some things around the house and will help her husband, Rick, each night when he gets home from work. (Rick works for MFA in Meta, MO. Bonnie described him as "MFA's mechanical genius".) She and Rick have a 250-acre farm and spend nights and weekends taking care of it. Bonnie says her vacations over the years have involved baling hay and projects on the farm.

When they aren't working on the farm, Bonnie plays softball (and has for years), has a big garden, mushroom hunts in the spring, deer hunts in the fall, and goes bowling in the winter. She also embroiders and does counted cross stitch on long winter evenings.

"One of my husband and my greatest joys is having our kids and their families around. We enjoy our activities with them and watching the grandsons," said Bonnie. "It always

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brightens up any day to see the little guys and their big smiles.”

Bonnie, all of us at the Patrol say thank you for your dedication and many years of service. We wish you a long, healthy retirement!

Bonnie's Professional Journey

Appointed: July 26, 1976, as a
Clerk Typist I, Troop F, Jefferson City.

Promotions/Reclassifications:

Clerk Typist II – February 1, 1977, Troop F
Clerk Typist III – August 1, 1979, Troop F
Driver Examiner I – June 1, 1982, Troop F
Driver Examiner II – January 1, 1983, Troop F
Driver Examiner III – June 1987, Troop F
Stenographer I – December 1, 1988, Human Resources Division, General Headquarters.
Stenographer II – December 1, 1989, Motor Vehicle Inspection Division, GHQ.
Stenographer III – December 1, 1991, MVI Division, GHQ.
Secretary – December 1, 1993, MVI Division, GHQ.
Secretary – January 1, 1994, Field Operations Bureau, GHQ.
Special Assistant – February 2, 1997, FOB, GHQ
Designated Principal Assistant – October 1, 2003, Assistant Superintendent's Office, GHQ.

DE Sprv. Judy L. Wallace



After 24 years of dedicated service to the state of Missouri, Driver Examiner Supervisor Judy L. Wallace retired from the Missouri State Highway Patrol on September 1, 2010.

Judy was born in Rockford, IL.

She graduated from Harlem High School in Loves Park, IL, in 1972. She married her husband, Tony, on June 8, 1991. Judy also attended Rock Valley Junior College in Rockford, IL. She began her career with the Patrol as an office manager at the Troop E Satellite in July 7, 1986. She was reclassified as a driver examiner on February 2, 1992. Judy was promoted to DE II on August 1, 1992, DE III on April 1, 1996, and driver examiner supervisor on December 2, 2007.

Judy and Tony have two sons, Tony Jr. and Jason, and four grandchildren. Judy plans to travel, camp, and spend a lot of time with her family, “especially my adorable grandchildren”.

Troop E employees thank Judy for her dedicated service and wish her the very best in a long and happy retirement. Good luck, Judy, your smiling face will be missed!

Congratulations On Your Retirement!



Donald L. Thompson

Sergeant
Q/GD

*Retired September 1, 2010.
Almost 27 years of dedicated service.*



Kenneth M. Fitzgerald

DE III
Troop A

*Retired August 1, 2010.
Over 24 years of
dedicated service.*



Timothy M. Helton

CVO II
Troop C

*Retired September 1, 2010.
21 and 1/2 years of
dedicated service.*

Looking Back

... in the Patrol News

40 years ago

October 1970 – Work on the new third floor of the Patrol's General Headquarters building is "progressing nicely". Construction of a new maintenance shop behind the Patrol's Supply building was complete. Troop G reported a bus load of youth from a Job Corps Center pulled into Johnson Shut-Ins State Park. The youth from the bus began running through all the camping ar-

eas stealing everything they could get their hands on. A park ranger called for assistance and Cpl. W.R. Little and Tpr. M.H. McGhee responded. The young people were rounded up, directed to assemble all of the ill-gotten gains from their hiding places, then loaded back on the bus and sent on their way. The officers said they couldn't tell who stole what, but they made the young people return it.

35 years ago

November 1975 – Four members of the Missouri State Highway Patrol pistol team attended the 29th Indiana State Championships. Because funds for out-of-state travel were restricted at that time, the four officers attended the match at their own expense. The team won third place in the .22 team event; fourth place in center fire scoring 1115-36x, and tied for first place in the .45 team matches. Those participating included Sgt. Myron Garrett, Troop H; Sergeant Roy Bergman, GHQ; Trooper Wayne Gardner, GHQ; and Trooper Gary Dunlap, Troop I.

30 years ago

October 1980 –

TROOPER FLUBB



20 years ago

November 1990 – Sgt. James F. Keathley was DDCC Officer Of The Year for 1990. Colonel C.E. "Mel" Fisher wrote about the state's preparedness for an earthquake in the Superintendent's Message. The State Emergency Management Agency's plan included 30 state and private agencies. Additional stories gave further details about the plan and what individuals should

know about earthquakes. Jerry T. Estes was listed as a new employee ... His retirement article is in the September/October 2010 issue.

10 years ago

October 2000 – Changes to the Patrol's payroll and time accounting system were explained. It was the implementation of SAM II. The Missouri State Fair, Boys State, and Patrol Cadet Academy were featured. The 77th Recruit Class

played a benefit basketball game against the Attorney General's Office to raise funds for two Patrol families with medical expenses.

5 years ago

November 2005 – This issue paid tribute to Trooper D. Kevin Floyd, Troop G, who died in the line of duty on September 22, 2005. Friends, family, and co-workers mourned together.

New Employees



Nathan C. Fontaine
Prob. Comm. Oper.
Troop I



Wilma E. Aleshire
Lab Evid. Tech. II
Q/CLD



Chad C. Bork
Bldg. & Grnds. Maint. II
Troop B



Beth A. Petry
Criminalist III
Q/CLD



Steven C. White
CJIS Security Mgr.
Q/CJISD



Patrick J. Woods
UCR Trainer/QA Aud.
Q/CJISD

Tpr. McWilliams Answers Call For Help

By Trooper Gregory K. Tesch, Troop A

As troopers with the Missouri State Highway Patrol, we undergo countless hours of training to be prepared for the few minutes when our skills make the difference between life and death. We never know when we will be called upon to use those skills—either while we are on or off duty.

On Saturday, August 14, 2010, Trooper Karime T. “Kari” McWilliams, Troop A, was off duty at her family’s lake house at the Lake of the Ozarks. She was watching over her two-year-old nephew on the dock, when she heard a man’s voice screaming. Looking over to her neighbor’s dock, she observed a man’s head as it appeared over the edge of the dock. The look on the man’s face said everything: He was yelling for help! Tpr. McWilliams alerted her brother to watch her nephew as she sprinted down

the dock.

Attired in shorts, T-shirt, and flip-flops, Tpr. McWilliams burst through the underbrush between the property lines and ran to the end of the neighbor’s dock. Tpr. McWilliams saw the man who had yelled for help still in the water, attempting to lift another, unconscious neighbor out of the water and onto the dock. Tpr. McWilliams’ father was on the porch of their house, preparing to grill some steak for lunch, and also heard the cries for help. He also ran to the neighbor’s dock, and even though he was closer, Tpr. McWilliams arrived shortly before he did. The man who screamed for help was beginning to lose the battle to retrieve the unconscious man from the water: The neighbor was slipping back into the lake!

With the timely arrival of Tpr. McWilliams and her father, they were able to lift the heavyset neighbor and place

him on the dock. The unconscious neighbor had suffered a seizure while he was in the water. After being placed on the dock, he regained consciousness and was moved to a shaded location on the shore. Tpr. McWilliams asked the man a series of questions to determine his mental and physical state, and departed after she felt he was stable. During their conversation, the neighbor was so impressed by Tpr. McWilliams’ demeanor and actions that he asked her if she was a nurse or an EMT. She modestly informed him that she was a trooper with the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

When a citizen of the great state of Missouri needed help, a trooper heard the call. She responded with alacrity and professionalism, applying her training and skills to make a difference. Tpr. McWilliams’ sound presence of mind, combined with the effectiveness of her response and superior bearing, reflected great credit upon her and the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

Anniversaries

October

30 years

CITS II Linda K. Amos, Q/ISD
MVI Sprv. Donald A.
Fountain, Troop C
Lab. Evid. Tech. II Carol J.
Carter, Q/CLD

25 years

CVO II Marty R. Clevenger,
Troop H
Garage Supt. Gerald C.
Andres, Q/MED
CITS II Matthew A. Beck,
Q/ISD

10 years

Auto. Tech. III Brad W.
Adams, Q/MED
Assistant Director Eric S.
Romph, Q/MED

5 years

Criminalist III Shawn M.
Bailes, Q/CLD
Clerk Typist III Cherie D.
Garfield, Troop A
Info. Analyst I Faith A.
Anderson, Q/GD
Fingerprint Tech. III Charles
E. Davis, Q/CJISD

Lab. Evid. Tech. II Judy R.
Morrison, Q/CLD
DE III Karen A. Kolieboi,
Troop C
Lab. Evid. Tech. I Deidra N.
Borgmeyer, Q/CLD
DE III Melanie R. Fitzpatrick,
Troop F
CDL Exam. Barbara A. Henson,
Troop C
Insurance Clerk Carrie A.
James, Q/BPD
Crim. Hist. Spec. I Byron W.
Sullivan, Q/CJISD

November

35 years

Sgt. William R. Lowry, Q/RDD

30 years

CVO Sprv. I Nathan J. Wilson,
Troop C

15 years

DE Sprv. Deborah V. Knox,
Troop A
DE Sprv. Timothy Murphy,
Troop A

Bldg. & Grnds. Maint. II David
M. Sturtz, Q/TND

10 years

MVI III Tony L. Caudle,
Troop A
MVI III Nathan L. Winkler,
Troop B
Asst. Chief Oper. Denis C.
Phillips, Troop C
CDL Exam. Patsy D. Seiner,
Troop B

5 years

Bldg. & Grnds. Maint. II
Jeffery A. Wood, Troop G
Bldg. & Grnds. Maint. II John
G. Brenneke, Q/CJISD
Food Service Helper II
Marilena Oros, Q/TND
DE III Jeremy M. Calfee,
Troop H
Fingerprint Tech. III Daniel L.
Davis, Q/CJISD
DE III Donna S. Henman,
Troop H
Clerk III Willard J. Riley Jr.,
Q/BPD

Troopers Excel In All Kinds Of Weather

By Lt. James P. Ripley, Troop A

The Patrol's 2010 Missouri State Fair detail began Wednesday, August 11, with a briefing at the State Fair Motor Inn banquet room. Sixty-nine officers and nine support personnel met to begin the assignment. When the fair began on Thursday, August 12, officers endured soaring, triple-digit temperatures. First day attendance was near normal for the early part of the day, but the evening parade had few fans as the attendance dwindled through the day as a result of the heat.

Friday the 13th became the type of day associated with its title. The rock concert, which was the biggest seller of the fair, was canceled due to rain and storms. The concert was scheduled for 7:30 p.m., but was not officially canceled until 10:45 pm. The crowd huddled under the grandstands for over three hours, and beer sales were at a record pace. When the announcement was finally made that the concert had been canceled, the alcohol-fueled crowd angrily left the grandstand area intent on gaining immediate reimbursement. Shortly after the crowd left the grandstand area, the rain that had teased the crowd for hours decided to get serious and a torrential downpour drove the attendees to their cars for refuge—thereby disarming the chaotic atmosphere that followed the cancellation notice. The concert cancellation was not the only significant event that evening as a strong wind dismantled a tent in the car-

Chief Technician Warren D. Reynolds lends Otto-The Talking Car a helping hand during the fair.

nival area and injured three people, one of which was a nine-year-old boy who sustained a skull fracture.

Due to the extreme heat, the Patrol purchased portable awnings to provide shade for officers on the gate details. When the first weekend began, Saturday morning temperatures continued to stay in the 90s, effectively reducing the traditional first Saturday crowd, which is typically the fair's day of greatest at-



Comm. Oper. III Michele L. Edson, Troop A, stays busy at the Missouri State Fair.

company representative responded to correct the problem.

On Friday, August 20, weather again played a significant role in the Patrol's assignment. The Darius Rucker concert was interrupted and terminated after approximately five songs. Lightning and pounding rain forced the cancellation early in the performance for the safety of the attendees. Officers then were forced to handle traffic direction duties en masse following the concert cancellation in a pounding rain with limited visibility. Even with the best of weather-related gear officers had to persevere in the worst of conditions to move the crowd safely from the fairgrounds.

The performance of our officers during the 2010 Missouri State Fair was commendable on every level. From decision-making in stressful conditions to pounding rain and unbearable heat our officers represented our department admirably each and every day. One attendee who complained that our officers were ruining the fair gave his home address as that of a halfway house when ejected for smoking marijuana during a concert. Guess you cannot make everyone happy.



tendance. The utilization of Segway transportation devices used by our officers for the past four years enables officers to respond quickly to events without physical exertion. They also offer the public an avenue of discussion to interact with officers. Of the four Segway transportation devices leased for use one worked on Saturday and Sunday before the

Talking with the public is one of many duties for troopers at the Missouri State Fair.

Deaths

Dorothy R. Cosey



Mrs. Dorothy Ruth Cosey was born on May 11, 1955, to the union of Romie and Earlie Sykes in Tupelo, MS. She was educated in Cohoma County School District. She expanded her education by attending Judy Best Talent Center, Florissant Valley Community College, and Bomar Realty School.

Dorothy was saved at an early age and loved the Lord with all her heart. She was baptized as a child at beautiful Zion Missionary Baptist Church in BoBo, MS. At the time of her death she attended Bridgeton Baptist Church serving faithfully as an ordained evangelist. She married the love of her life in November 1972, and to the union two daughters were born.

She was employed by the Missouri State Highway Patrol as a Driver Examiner III at the Deer Creek Driver Examination Station. She was employed also by Lab Corp of America, Smith Kline, St. Louis Special School District, and Missouri Baptist Children's Home. Dorothy and her husband, Wiley, also were successful real estate investors since the early 1980s.

Dorothy loved to spend time with her husband, daughters, and grandchildren. She always had a good word and godly advice for anyone who needed it. On many, many occasions she opened her home and invited people near and far for one of her "big mama dinners". She loved to travel and fish. She also loved her family. She was a people person, opening her arms and

heart to anyone that needed her. She was a true woman of virtue and instilled a godly foundation in her girls and grandchildren. She had great visions and dreams, but when the Master called, she answered and said, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith." The Lord thy God said, "Servant, well done."

Dorothy went to rest in the bosom of Jesus on Tuesday, July 27, 2010, at 7:30 p.m. She was preceded in death by her mother, father, one sister, Prentice Sykes, and one brother, Carl Sykes.

Dorothy leaves to cherish many precious memories: her husband, Wiley; two daughters, Shirley (Bayi) Knowles, of Chesapeake, VA, and Tumica Cosey, of St. Louis, MO; three grandchildren, Leon Jordan O'Hara, Kaci Christian O'Hara, and Baya Faith Knowles; six siblings, Jesse (and his wife, Lillie), of West Palm Beach, FL, Jimmy Sykes, of West Palm Beach, Judy (and her husband, Michael) Poellnitz, of St. Louis, Betty (and her husband, James) Henderson, of St. Louis, Charles Sykes, of Clarkesdale, MS, and Wendell Sykes, of Robinsonville, MS; her in-laws, Willie Cosey, Jurine (and her husband, Charles) Morris, Shirley (and her husband, Willie) Baker, Isaac (and his wife, Betty) Cosey, Jean (and her husband, G.L.) Gates, Bobbie Flicklen, Matthew (and his wife, Carol) Cosey, and Pearl- ie Gordon, all of St. Louis; two aunts, Mattie Sue Valliant, Milwaukee, WI, and Roxie Gilliam, of Beloit, WI; two uncles, Earlie Sykes, of East St. Louis, IL, and Joe Sykes, of Chicago, IL; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and other relatives, church family, and friends.

Mrs. Dorothy Cosey was buried at the Lake Charles Cemetery in St. Louis.

The Patrol family extends its sincerest condolences to the Cosey family.

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Melvin E. "Gene" Duckworth



Melvin E. "Gene" Duckworth, 68, died August 11, 2010. He was born July 22, 1942, in Savanna, Tennessee to Joseph and Jewel (Poole) Duckworth. He grew up in the Bootheel of Missouri. He was a Master Mason, and member of the Scottish Rite and the Shrine. Gene was also a member of Grace Methodist Church, Poplar Bluff, MO.

He was appointed to the Missouri State Highway Patrol on October 1, 1966, and began his career in Troop E, in Malden, MO. He served his career in Troop E, Poplar Bluff, MO, Troop C, St. Louis, MO, and General Headquarters, Jefferson City, MO. He retired in December 1994, at the rank of major, after serving as the commander of the Criminal Investigation Bureau. He was a graduate of the National Training Center of Polygraph, New York, NY, and the FBI National Academy of Quantico, VA.

He and his wife, Doris, moved to Oakland, AR, and lived on Bull Shoals Lake in 2001, where they spent their retirement years.

Gene is survived by his wife of 35 years, Doris Wheeling Duckworth, of Oakland, AR; one son, David (and his wife, Janet) Duckworth, of Poplar Bluff; and one daughter, Gina Duckworth Carter, of Poplar Bluff; two sisters, Maxine (and her husband, Bill)

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Deaths

— Duckworth

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Hayes, of Portageville, MO, and Robbie Klinkhardt, of Hayti, MO; one brother, Jack (and his wife, Sandy) Duckworth, of Pendleton, IN; three granddaughters, Megan Duckworth (and her husband, B.J.) Cruz, of Ropesville, Texas, Melissa Gimbel, of Poplar Bluff, and Alexis Hayes, also of Poplar Bluff; one step-grandson, Jimmy (and his wife, Jami) Camp, of Poplar Bluff; two step-great-grandchildren, Dawson and Chloe Camp, of Poplar Bluff; and a great grandson, Haden Cruz, of Ropesville, Texas.

There was no funeral service. It was Gene's request to be cremated and have his ashes scattered on their property at Oakland, AR, overlooking Bull Shoals Lake. A private Celebration of Life Memorial Service was held at a later date. Memorials may be made to The Gideons Memorial International, P.O. Box 801 Mountain Home, AR, 72653, and Hospice of the Ozarks, 701 Burnett Drive, Mountain Home, AR 72653-2944.

The Patrol family extends its sincerest condolences to the Duckworth family.

(Thank you to the Duckworth family for providing this article.)

How OTHERS SEE Us ...

Four generations of our newspapering family have interacted with the Missouri State Highway Patrol since the 1930s in Benton and Henry counties. This has been in a news gathering capacity for The Benton County Enterprise and The Clinton Daily Democrat in addition to socially. Missouri State Highway Patrol troopers from the rank of colonel down to the newest trooper have been acquaintances. All have been outstanding people who were willing to risk all to maintain "Service and Protection" for Missourians. How fortunate we are to have such an outstanding Highway Patrol. In addition, we have had and presently are privileged to have such highly regarded and well respected Missouri State Highway Patrol troopers assigned to Henry County. Most certainly we have been blessed in this respect.

The Missouri State Highway Patrol is a law enforcement organization which understands, appreciates, and supports the roll of small town and rural county newspapers. They also have supported over the years "maximum disclosure with minimum delay" in a proactive manner for news of interest to Henry Countians. And, the same approach has been extended statewide to all Missourians in matters which the Missouri State Highway Patrol have responded to or been involved in. As a result, this is a law enforcement organization which is very trusted and admired by Missourians.

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Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy goes to the following personnel who have lost a member of their family:

Sgt. Thad M. Wilson (Q/GSD) - mother
Chief DE Tammy K. Harris (E) - grandfather
Crim. Hist. Spec. II Dianna L. Neier (Q/CJISD) - sister
Cpl. J. Todd Vermillion (D) - mother
Sgt. A. Ed Thurman (D) - daughter
MVI Insp. Sprv. Kevin D. Green (C) - aunt
CITS II Pamela E. Ferguson (Q/ISD) - brother
Ret. Sgt. Rick Lindsay - mother
DE I Jodi L. Nichols (F) - grandmother
Sgt. Johnny L. Ellsworth (C) - mother
Crim. Hist. Tech. II Linda S. Linnenbrink (Q/CJISD) - father
MVI III George J. Hollmann (C) - father
DE III Mary A. Hollmann (C) - father-in-law
DE III Shelly L. Lagermann (E) - stepdaughter
DE Sprv. Tumica L. Cosey-O'Hara (C) - mother

Ret. Sgt. W. Archie Dunn - mother
CVO Sprv. II Kathleen M. Berry (C) - mother
CITS I Jeanne V. Livers (Q/ISD) - mother
CVO II Michael A. Enloe (C) - father-in-law
CIT Sprv. I Paula L. Amos (Q/ISD) - mother-in-law
Tpr. Kyle L. Carroll (H) - mother-in-law
Ret. Sgt. T. Mike Almond - father
Cpl. Keith A. Almond (E) - grandfather
Ret. Sgt. Lawrence D. Jefferson - wife
Ret. Sgt. L.D. "Denny" Jefferson Jr. - mother
CVO II Charles E. Jennings (D) - father-in-law
Ret. Sgt. Roy Beal - mother
CIT III Alan D. Sparks (Q/ISD) - grandmother
Asst. Chief Oper. Roger D. Martin (Q/CommD) - wife

~ Thank You ~

We would like to thank everyone for all the cards and calls we received after the death of my mother and Ed's mother-in-law. I also want to thank the members of the Patrol who attended the visitation and funeral. It was truly appreciated. Thank you, again.

*Ret. Stenographer III Connie &
Ret. Cpl. Ed Kincaid*

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My family and I would like to thank everyone for their prayers, support, and cards following the recent death of my grandmother, Norma Sandbothe. We would also like to thank those who attended the visitation and funeral. It meant very much to me and my family. Your thoughtfulness and support is greatly appreciated and will always be remembered.

*Forms Analyst II Brenda K. Feeler,
Q/RDD*

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On behalf of my family, I would like to thank everyone for the thoughtful cards and e-mails after the passing of my grandfather. Words can't describe how much that meant to me, my wife, and my parents. I would also like to thank those who attended the visitation and funeral services. Your thoughtfulness and support is greatly appreciated and will always be remembered. I can't express how thankful I am to work with a bunch of kind-hearted individuals who mean so much to me and my family.

*Thank you.
Cpl. Brian C. Logan Q/GD*

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My family and I would like to express our thanks for the support we received from fellow Highway Patrol employees after the death of my mother. The inquiries and concern during her battle with breast cancer over the last 3 1/2 years were greatly appreciated and the numerous prayers were

and still are powerful. The calls, e-mails, cards, and flowers in the days following her death were very uplifting. It was comforting to see the various Highway Patrol uniforms represented at the visitation and funeral. Thank you to those who attended and participated in the "ministry of showing up". I am blessed to work with such family-oriented people and proud to have so many friends in the workplace.

Cpl. J. Todd Vermillion, Troop D

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My family and I would like to express our most sincere gratitude to everyone in the Patrol for the outpouring of condolences, cards, calls, visits, food and more food (LOL), flowers, and prayers. We would also like to thank those who traveled near and far to my mom's visitation and/or service. I don't have words to express how it warmed our hearts to have my Patrol family present. This would have made my mother's heart bubble over with

joy. I would especially like to thank the sergeants and lieutenants of Troop C and a very special thank you to Captain Ronald S. Johnson for EVERYTHING. Your compassion, kindness, and words of encouragement mean so much to my family and I, and will never be forgotten.

*Sincerely,
D.E. Sprv. Tumica L. Cosey and family*

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Suzan and I would like to thank everyone for their kind words and sympathy at the passing of her father. It was greatly appreciated at a difficult time.

*Major Robert E. "Bob" and Mrs. Suzan Bloomberg
Q/TSB*

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Many thanks to everyone who participated in the Patrol's 39th Annual Golf Tournament that took place on June 7, 2010. Special thanks to those that organized the event. The MASTERS is very grateful to have been chosen as the recipient of the proceeds of the tournament.

*Mrs. Elaine Libla
secretary, The MASTERS*

Recruiting: 1-800-796-7000
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Home Page: <http://www.mshp.dps.mo.gov>

Academy Welcomes 92nd Recruit Class!

By Public Info. Spec. III Cheryl D. Cobb, Q/PIED

The 92nd Recruit Class arrived at the Patrol's Law Enforcement Academy on July 1, 2010. Initially, 44 people reported for training. As of November, 2010, there were 36 recruits remaining. The class is scheduled to graduate on December 17, 2010. The average age of the members of the 92nd Recruit Class is 26.11 years. Of the recruits, 11 have some college experience, six have earned associate's degrees, 18 hold bachelor's degrees, and one has a master's degree. Two of the recruits have worked in law enforcement; five have prior military experience. I bet these pictures bring back memories for some of you.

It's time for equipment issue!



Recruit Lieke Dancy provides encouragement for Recruit Stephanie R. Schapp.



Members of the 92nd Recruit Class present their "student meal tickets" ...



Believe it or not, the cockroach position is conducive to learning.

